CITY OF ALAMEDA

Memorandum

To: The Honorable Mayor and

Members of the City Council

From: John A. Russo

City Manager

Date: January 17, 2012

Re: Authorize the City Manager to Execute the Lead-Based Paint Hazard

Reduction Agreement with the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program and Any Amendments with Substantially Similar Terms for

Additional Funds, Which May Become Available in the Future

BACKGROUND

The City is a member of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (ACLPPP). The ACLPPP has received a Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant for lead-based paint hazard reduction and abatement and has developed a program to pass those funds through to ACLPPP cities.

DISCUSSION

The Lead Hazard Reduction Grant funds will augment existing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) financing for housing and rental rehabilitation projects with lead-based paint hazards. All units receiving assistance under the program must be occupied by families who meet income eligibility according to HOME requirements (i.e., very low- and low-income). In addition, owner-occupied units assisted with grant funds will meet the requirements by having children under six years old living or spending a significant amount of time visiting the property. Rental property owners must give priority to families with children under six years of age for at least three years following rehabilitation of units assisted by the funds. The proposed Agreement (on file in the City Clerk's Office) is similar to previous agreements between the City and the ACLPPP and is scheduled to go before the County Board of Supervisors for approval on February 7, 2012.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no impact on the General Fund. The Agreement will provide a total grant of \$107,360 for direct lead hazard control measures. Fifteen units will be assisted at an average cost of \$5,000 per unit for up to \$75,000. Direct cost reimbursement for Risk Assessment/Paint Inspections for up to 25 units will be included in the grant. Funds will be provided for clearance testing for up to 19 participating units not to exceed \$17,360 in total testing costs for risk assessments, paint testing and clearance evaluations. Staff costs up to \$15,000 for direct lead hazard control project management performed by City staff will be included in reimbursements. Based on performance of other communities, additional grant funds may be offered to the City after October 31, 2013.

MUNICIPAL CODE/POLICY DOCUMENT CROSS REFERENCE

The proposed actions are consistent with the City's policies regarding Historic Preservation.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Environmental review will be addressed on a site-by-site basis as properties are reviewed during the application and project design process. The review will be compliant with HUD environmental policy (NEPA) under HUD's Rehabilitation Environmental Review (RER) procedures.

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager to execute the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Agreement with the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program and any amendments with substantially similar terms for additional funds, which may become available in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit: Agreement between City of Alameda and ACLPPP-on file in City Clerk's Office

cc: Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program